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Students needed for sexual assault study

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A new research study concerning campus response to sexual assault is looking for more participants on campus.

Project researcher Samantha Kopf said the study is on re-integrative shaming, a process of responding to a crime.

"The point of re-integrative shaming is to shame the offender for the act as opposed to the person," Kopf.

Throughout Kopf's Wartburg career, she has done a lot of research on sexual assault and works as a research adviser to the Wartburg Title VIIII committee.

Kopf said labeling someone as a sex offender degrades the humanity of that person as opposed to the act that they did.

The purpose of re-integrative shaming is to involve the perpetraitor, victim and community.

"Essentially it allows both members to enter back into their society without a stigma," Kopf said.

Current systems on campuses involve a review board with a possibility of a suspension or expulsion.

Kopf said the goal of re-integrative shaming is to create a better response to the problem.

"One common research belief is that not a lot of people like to report because they are afraid of getting someone in trouble," Kopf said.

Currently re-integrative shaming is only being used in New Zealand and Australia for sexual assault and Kopf said it is very effective there.

"I hope bringing this to college campuses where we have this epidemic will help change the dialogue around what sexual assault is and help address the ways that we can inspire healing," Kopf said.

Kopf said she will continue her research as she moves on to grad school

"It would be great to show a contrast in findings from a small institution vs. a large institution," Kopf said

So far, Kopf said there have been a few participants but they need more and especially men.

"We need men too because most of our participants have been women, which is great, but we also need to know if men would be willing to participate. Obviously, the Wartburg community is both men and women," Kopf said.

Kopf said the study will only take about an hour.

For those who are interested or would like to hear more, they can contact Kopf by email at samantha.kopf@wartburg.edu.

President Darrel Colson told Student Senate the tuition increase and Transforming Tomorrow are separate from each other. The money raised from the campaign has already been mostly pledged to student scholarships.-**Kendall Erenberger**/*TRUMPET*

Tuition increase clarified

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President Darrel Colson defended the timing of the Transforming Tomorrow campaign and tuition increase announcement in a presentation made to Student Senate on Thursday, Nov. 2.

This year's tuition increase announcement came a week after the Transforming Tomorrow campaign ended.

Nearly 500 students signed a petition to make the budget reports public. Those who signed the petiton wanted to know why there is a need for the financial increase.

Most of this money from campaigns like this goes to scholarships that have been promised to students already, Colson said.

"Thankfully, we're finding donors who will help us make that guarantee; they'll underwrite the guarantee we've already made," Colson said. "So that's part of the mismatch between when we announce a campaign. I think to students it might seem like 'well this is brand new money.' Well, it's not brand-new money because we've already offered it to you."

In the future, Colson said they should speak to Student Senate earlier about what administration is thinking and how they are building the budget.

"We want to be transparent," Colson said. "We don't want there to be secret."

Colson said that they are trying to control the costs of education

"We are committed to making college affordable to students; that's why we increase the amount of financial aid we give every year," Colson said. "When they're still in high school, we make a promise to students that we will give you this financial aid package. We will not reduce it over the time you're here."

A large part of the presentation discussed how Wartburg gains its funds. There was also discussion about the different campaigns, and how much money goes to different projects, including the Clinton Hall remodel and scholarships.

Vice president for finance and administration Rich Seggerman discussed the President's Budget Advisory Council (PBAC), which is made up of faculty, staff and a student representative.

They meet periodically through the year, Seggerman said, to provide input and feedback to the president. The president makes the final decision and that is brought to the Board of Regents, who approve or make changes, he said.

Wartburg used to announce tuition changes in the mid to late winter. However, a few years ago the student member of the PBAC and other students said that it would help them plan better if the information was put out earlier, Colson said.

Now, any tuition changes are announced mid-autumn.

"We've always, as soon as we make an announcement, we offer to visit with student leadership, usually during Student Senate," Colson said.

Knights give back in charity game

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The Wartburg women's basketball team helped raise money through a charity game against Upper Iowa University on Thursday, Nov. 2

All proceeds from the game will go to the American Red Cross for hurricane relief, it is not known yet how much was raised.

Starting point guard Katie Sommer said she enjoyed being able to play against another team.

For her, it was a special opportunity to play in such an important game.

"Playing the game I love for a good cause makes me want to play that much harder," Sommer said.

"Giving back to people who are in need made that game mean a lot more than just basketball."

Head coach Bob Amsberry said the idea for the game came after the NCAA granted several games like it across the country. They also sent out communications about them to all of its member schools.

Katie Sommer (center) and the women's basketball team took down Upper Iowa in their first game action. **- Hannah Kilburg /***TRUMPET*

Amsberry also said the team is lucky to have a school like Upper Iowa so close to campus and that they were able to get approval from the NCAA so quick in order to make the game happen.

"I think that any time you can make an impact in other people's lives, you certainly take that opportunity to do so," Amsberry said.

"Our program is a lot bigger than basketball and I think any way we can make a difference, we need to take advantage."

Guard Megan Murphy said it was great to be back on the court, but the charity aspect of the game was the most important part.

"It's more than just a game, it was really rewarding as a player to be a part of that," Murphy said.

The team is coming off consecutive appearances in the NCAA Tournament, including a Final Four run in 2016.

After a few weeks of practice this was the first opportunity for them to get some game experience.

Because of this, Amsberry said the game was mutually beneficial for both the American Red Cross and the teams.

"To put together some funds for hurricane relief, we just thought it was a great opportunity to make a difference and get our players back on the court," Amsberry said.

Knights will be looking to defend their Iowa Conference championship and make another postseason run..

Sommer said it's a good feeling every time she is on the court with her teammates and the team is ready to get the season underway.

"We have everyone back and a very talented freshman class that will push us to be better. We are ready to make this last season the best one yet." Sommer said.

The first official game for the Knights will come on Nov. 21 when Iowa Wesleyan comes to Levick Arena.

Annual cemetery tour

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On Nov. 5 the Wartburg College History Club and Phi Alpha Theta honor society hosted their annual Harlington Cemetery Tour.

Dr. Terrence Lindell

Wartburg history professor, Dr. Terrence Lindell, gave the cemetery tour, highlighting some of Waverly and Wartburg's interesting history.

Lindell first developed the cemetery tour for the Waverly Historic Preservation Commission roughly 15 years ago as a way to raise funds to restore the crypt in the cemetery.

The tour started as a way to raise awareness about Waverly's history and eventually became a way for Wartburg students to learn more about local history.

"We largely do it to support Waverly history and the history of Bremer County," said Tyler Amick, president of both the History Club and Phi Alpha Theta.

"It's a movement through all of us students to support local history."

While it's not the History Club and Phi Alpha Theta's primary fundraiser, it is a fundraiser that the history students enjoy putting on.

Club members help with research and some of the members even lead part of the tour.

"Dr. Lindell shares his research with members who wish to participate with the tour and they then learn about a section of the cemetery and then lead that part of the tour," Amick said.

The event gives the opportunity for the community to hear about important people in Waverly's history, as well as allow the students to learn about the history of the city.

Lindell stops at graves such as Georg M. Grossman, Wartburg's founder, and August Engelbrecht, the longest serving president at Wartburg.

One of the interesting stories that Lindell shared is about John McRoberts, a private in the Civil War and convicted horse thief, who is the only person in Waverly to ever be lynched.

"There are a lot of fun stories about the people up there, many of whom have been largely forgotten," Lindell said.

While Lindell is originally from South Dakota, he's been teaching at Wartburg since 1984 and became particularly interested in its history.

"I remember going out to the cemetery back home to get graves decorated at Memorial Day and I've always felt that cemetery's are interesting places," Lindell said.

Dr Brian Pfaltzgraff and Wartburg Players Vice President, Matt Kerns go over one of the scripts prepared for "A Parade of Witnesses" by Allan Sloan. — **ALISHA UNGS**/ *TRUMPET*

Wartburg Players present 'A Parade of Witnesses'

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In celebration of the 500th anniversary of the protestant reformation, the Wartburg Players will be presenting "A Parade of Witnesses" by Allan Sloane on Nov. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wartburg Chapel.

The production centers on the writings of Martin Luther.

Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans, who is playing the narrator, said that she likes the way the play portrays Luther.

"It presents a kind of different take on Luther," Kleinhans said, "looking at some of the human dimensions and some of his flaws."

The presentation will include actors portraying a variety of famous figures throughout history, including Martin Luther King, Karl Marx and Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

Before the final production, Dr. Brian Pfaltzgraff, who is assisting with the production, said the players will have a chance to see each other in full costume next to a photograph or drawing of the person they are portraying.

"We had the great good fortune of being able to cast a number of people who actually look physically very similar to the people they are portraying," Pfaltzgraff said.

"A Parade of Witnesses" is a play in two parts. The first half focuses on the people who influenced Luther and the second half features those who were influenced by the writings of Luther.

Originally, the play was scheduled to take place in the Lyceum, but Pfaltzgraff said he enjoyed the idea of the production being in the Chapel instead. It is not a traditional play, because it features many monologues, Pfaltzgraff said, so the chapel ended up being a good place to go.

"This is a different kind of theatre. This is public speaking in the best sense of the word," Pfaltzgraff said.

Pfaltzgraff also said the production is different because of the way it is set up. Several of the actors begin in the crowd, and some walk through the center isle to look directly into the audience's faces.

"This is engaging with the audience with literally no fourth wall available," Pfaltzgraff said.

The cast of "A Parade of Witnesses" ranges from first year students to faculty and staff.

Kleinhans said that "A Parade of Witnesses" has only been on stage one other time, on the occasion of the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's birthday.

Kleinhans said some of the narration was relevant to the historical context in 1983 rather than the 500th anniversary of the reformation. Some parts of the play had to be re-written by Kleinhans to include more modern developments in the world pertaining to Luther.

Kleinhans said she hopes people come to see the production and think more about their own influences in the present world.

"I hope some of the people who come to see the play can think of themselves joining the parade," Kleinhans said, "and think about their own kind of witness."

Abstract conceptual photography comes to Wartburg

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The viewer should be able to interperet abstract artwork however they please, artist Matthew Terry said.

The Wartburg College Art Gallery hosted Terry on Nov. 3. The exhibit features his abstract conceptual photography stretching back to late 2013 to early 2014.

"I enjoy the process of doing all the hand-held images, I just like how hands on it is and how detailed it makes me have to become," Terry said.

Terry enjoys this style of art due to the nature of abstract artwork. He said when the art is presented, the viewer then has the opportunity to come in and interpret it however they please.

"I try to find scenes where you can see a clear difference between the original shot and the present day," Terry said. "I try to let a couple months pass but sometimes it's a couple years."

As a regionally based photographer, a lot of Terry's photos are recognizable to the students and faculty of Wartburg, Gallery Director and Exhibitions Manager Johanna Kramer-Weston said.

"He's a young up and coming artist," Kramer-Weston said. "I am excited to give him this opportunity."

"Keep yourself persistent," Terry said. "There will be ups and downs and points where you completely question what you're doing."

"Once you keep yourself passionate about what you're doing and when you can get past those low points when the higher points come around it's a lot more impactful," Terry said.

Terry can typically be found doing two to four exhibits each year.

"The gallery typically runs four professional exhibits and one Wartburg art major led senior exhibit," Weston said. "Sometimes there will be a sixth one in the summer."

Artists are selected by Weston commonly through a call to artists press release. The press release goes out to artists and galleries.

The next exhibit will feature installation art, a style that comes out of sculpture and environmental art. Weston said artists use the space and environment and transform it into a 3-D environment.

"This style is more about encompassing the whole space rather than stuff on the walls," Weston said. "It's really fun and fascinating."

Artist Matthew Terry displays his photos in the Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery. — **WILL COONRADT**/ *TRUMPET*

Snow cannot stop classes this winter

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No matter how severe the winter weather is, Wartburg's residential campus will almost always be open and classes will continue, unless cancelled by professors.. -**Marketing & Comm.**

Winter is coming, but students should not expect all classes to be cancelled because of bad weather.

The decision to cancel classes lies with the individual professors.

Dr. Daniel Kittle, the dean of students and vice president of student life, said it would be a very rare event for the entire campus to be shut down and all classes cancelled.

Doing so would require an extraordinary event that proves to be dangerous for students and facult, he said.

Being a residential campus makes it difficult to close campus due to weather as essential services such as dining, campus security and maintenance would still need to be available for students, Kittle said.

Wartburg allows its professors to make the decision to cancel classes based on where they live and their levels of comfort and safety, and encourages professors who do cancel classes to assign online assignments, according to Wartburg's weather-related closure policy.

Pamela Ohrt, an associate professor of journalism and communication, does all she can to attend her classes by spending some nights in her office.

This saves a 45 minute commute to her home in Oelwein when the weather is too dangerous to drive.

"I feel that our students deserve to have professors that give it their all to get to class on time," Ohrt said. "I'm comfortable in my office and occasionally it can be a fun little outing."

Complete with a sofa that turns into a bed, a microwave, refrigerator and T.V., Ohrt's office acts like her very own dorm room. The campus skywalks and restaurants, as well as the showers in the Wellness Center, have also contributed to Ohrt's overnight stays, some of which she said have lasted for up to three days.

For Orht and any Wartburg professor, the criteria for deciding when to cancel their classes varies.

Ohrt said she is hesitant to drive in an inch of snow or ice, and closely tracks the weather on her cellphone's eight weather applications.

For professors like Kittle and Justin Crouse, an assistant professor of accounting, the decision for cancelling class has a simple solution.

Kittle lives three miles from campus while Crouse is within a few blocks of the college.

As a result, both said they rarely ever cancel classes because it would "take something extremely significant for me to not be able to make it," Crouse said.

Other professors, however, have the same issue as Ohrt. Tammy Faux, an associate professor of social work, lives 17 miles from campus on a farm, yet she also rarely cancels class.

Faux said if she is unable to make it to campus due to extremely poor road conditions that cannot be handled by her 4-wheel drive truck, she assigns online lectures, PowerPoints or reading guides.

Despite the weather, Wartburg's classes will continue, and Kittle believes this is the advantage of being a residential campus.

"Students are paying good money to attend class and have all the benefits of being there," Kittle said.

"Therefore, I think we should do our very best to ensure that classes are held."

Students give back over break

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Over Fall Break Wartburg students participated in service trips in Madison, Wisconsin and Wilmington, Illinois. Kellie Nordquist was one of the students who went to Madison, Wisconsin.

"I wanted to do something meaningful to help people and thought going on the service trip was the best way to do it," Nordquist said.

The group went to five different locations for volunteer work, Nordquist said. They also had a suprise trip to the zoo on their last day.

This was Nordquist's first service trip at Wartburg. Nordquist said she had thought about going on a service trip last year but never committed to a trip.

Nordquist said she enjoyed her time on her service trip for many reasons other than traveling.

"I loved going to each volunteer location because we did something different everywhere we went," Nordquist said. "It was a good feeling to know we could help with little tasks so the people who work at the locations on a daily basis didn't have to do it later

Kristin Teig Torres is the adviser for service trips and encouraged students to participate in service trips not only to help others, but also themselves.

"Students bond with fellow students, learn collaboration and team work," Teig Torres said. "Students also see social issues, injustice and a glimpse of what it is like to lend a helping hand."

Wartburg first began the trips in 1994, with the program beginning to grow in 2005 after Hurricane Katrina.

Currently, there are about 12 to 20 trips during the year which happen in multiple areas.

Teig Torres also said the trips provide many opportunities and education on a number of issues ranging from homelessness to immigration to disaster relief.

"Students are given the opportunity to travel to locations across the country and provide service to others," Teig Torres said. "They will be living out servant leadership and the cost per student is minimal."

Winter Break and Tour Trips normally cost students out of pocket $175 and the price includes transportation, lodging and meals.

Nordquist said students who are interested in service trips should start with a closer trip.

"Start out with a shorter trip to get an idea of what it is like," Nordquist said. "Also, if your first trip doesn't go the way you thought it would, go on another one because from what I've heard, each trip is different"

For students wanting to be involved there are a few steps before going on a trip. Students must fill out an application which can be found on Wartburg College Service Trips Facebook page or by emailing servicetrips@wartburg.edu.

"We are currently taking applications for co-leaders through Wednesday Nov. 8," Teig Torres said. "After that participation applications will be made available

Nordquist said her experience on her service trip was fantastic and gave her the wonderful opportunity to meet new people.

"I would recommend everyone to go on a least one trip while they are here at Wartburg," Nordquist said.

Epley announces retirement

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Anna Epley preparing chicken fajita salads in the Zesty Orange kitchen. Epley recently announced retirement. -**Taylor Webb***/TRUMPET*

Head manager of the Zesty Orange Anna Epley has announced that she will be retiring in December.

Epley has been working at Wartburg since Sept. 10, 2000.

She first started in the Den, but once the Zesty Orange was opened she was asked to run it. She was previously going to retire in 2018, but changed her mind.

"I'm going to retire now, so that I can do more with my mom," Epley said.

Once Epley retires she plans to continue to work with Diesel, a Retrieving Freedom dog she fosters.

She also plans on seeing her family and friends and spending more time with them.

"My brother and his wife want me to come and stay with them a few days," Epley said. "I'd take my mom and dad to their appointments when they need them."

Epley has also been a host mother to senior Suusen NgWanJiun. They met when NgWanJiun started working at the Zesty her freshman year.

Epley has been NgWanJiun and her sister's host mother for three years, ever since their first host family moved.

"We're really close, she is like a daughter," Epley said. "I found out that her first host family had moved, so I asked them if they would like to be mine and my husband's host daughters, and we hit it off and have always had a good time together."

NgWanJiun did not work at the Zesty this year, but was not completely taken by surprise when she heard the news.

"I am happy for her, because I know although she is not at a retiring age I think she needs it for herself," NgWanJiun said. "I think she will spend most of her time on her and her family, because working at the Zesty did take up a lot of her time."

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Killing it, on and off the court

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Kylie Bildstein (#17) and Aryn Jones (#20) join the huddle before a game at Levick – **Marketing and Comm.**

Last year, Aryn Jones was the most valuable player on Wartburg's volleyball team, and throughout the entire Iowa Conference. Now, in her senior season, she has repeated as Iowa Conference MVP, and her volleyball career depends on the team's run in the NCAA tournament. So, how can such a pivotal piece be replaced? The answer lies in the freshman class.

From the start of the preseason, Jones has been helping shape one of the team's most dynamic first-years in Kylie Bildstein. Bildstein is almost exactly the same height as Jones, and, like Jones, plays at the middle blocker spot. Jones said having those things in a teammate was something of a dream come true.

"I kid around that the best senior gift I could have asked for is a teammate that's my height," Jones said. "I've been really excited to have her as a teammate since she was a senior in high school."

Given her stature and position, Jones has taken Bildstein under her wing to help her develop more as a player. Jones said Bildstein has been challenging her in practice since day one, especially on the defensive side

As a result, the development has been a two-way street.

"During preseason, one of my biggest frustrations was how great she was at defense," Jones said. "She really challenged me at the top of the net and forced me to make smarter shots, so she made me a better player within the first week of her being on the team."

Bildstein is currently fourth on the team in kills with 157 through 106 sets on the floor, but is second among regular front row players in hitting, attacking at a 29 percent clip. On the defensive side, her 65 total blocks are good for second on the team. Bildstein said playing behind Jones has helped exponentially in moving her progress forward.

"Aryn has been such a great role model for me this whole season," Bildstein said. "I've learned so much from watching her play, and being her teammate."

While the relationship between the two has made both of them better players, it also extends outside of the game of volleyball. Bildstein said Jones has been just as good to her off the court as she is on.

"Aryn is so fun to be around and is always encouraging me," Bildstein said. "It's fun to have her push me in every practice, and then be able to joke around with her outside of it."

Jones agreed with that sentiment. to get used to the girls around her at the start, but has been a joy to have around.

"She was really quiet when she came in originally, so we had to kind of try and peel her shell back a little bit," Jones said. "It's been really awesome to see her open up to us, too. She's become a lot more outgoing."

After winning the Iowa Conference championship on Saturday night, the two will finish out their time together as teammates in the NCAA tournament. The first round will happen this Friday, with a location and opponent to be determined.

Knights take home two IIAC titles

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Wartburg athletics had a very successful day on Saturday Nov. 4, clinching two Iowa Conference championships and two berths to the NCAA tournament in two different sports.

Both victories came against the same school, and neither game was close.

First, the Wartburg football team stayed unbeaten and clinched the conference title outright, trouncing Buena Vista in Storm Lake on their senior day, 56 to 14.

The Knights' offense continued its success with Matt Sacia at the helm, and the defense recorded seven sacks and an interception to shut down the Beavers on offense.

The next game for the football team will be this Saturday at home against Nebraska Wesleyan for senior day.

A big win could potentially allow them to play at least one of their games in the NCAA tournament in Walston-Hoover Stadium.

The second victory of the day came from the U.S. Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids, where the Knights' volleyball team beat Buena Vista three thrilling sets to none to clinch an automatic berth to the NCAA tournament.

The team will be looking for a change of postseason pace after Gustavus Adolphus swept them in the first round of the last year's tourney.

Their first round opponent has not been announced as of press time. Check wartburgtrumpet.com for updates.

This is the football team's first IIAC championship since 2014, and volleyball's third straight. The two teams join women's golf among Wartburg's fall sports conference champions.

Fox finishes season strong, named all-IIAC

Hannah Fox was named to the IIAC All-Conference tennis team for her efforts in the 2017 fall season. — **Marketing and Comm.**

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Hannah Fox was named to the IIAC women's tennis All-Conference team. However, this honor didn't come without obstacles.

Fox, only a sophomore, had to overcome a major setback. Her senior year of high school she tore her ACL during practice, forcing her to sit out the fall tennis season her freshman year at Wartburg. Even so, Fox turned her injury into a way to motivate her.

"It made me appreciate the sport more and makes me want to work harder now that I can practice," she said.

Head tennis coach Chris Gustas said he enjoyed watching Fox recover. Because of this, she was able to compete in the spring tennis season, giving her collegiate-level experience.

This year, Fox secured a spot in the conference tournament, winning her first match against Simpson's Kayla Reusche. In the quarterfinals, Fox lost to Dubuque's Arantxa Martinez, the 2016 Conference Champion.

Fox views her loss as motivation for next year. She said she wants to make All-Conference again, improve her placement from this year and win the conference tournament before graduation. Gustas believes all of Fox's goals are attainable.

"There's no one in the conference her age or younger that is head and shoulders better than her," he said.

"She should be looking to place in the top two or three in the conference by her senior year."

Fox's doubles partner and roommate Lauren O'Brian said her motivation to get better inspires the team to do the same. O'Brian said Fox's competitive nature helps the pair in doubles matches, where they feed off one another's aggressiveness.

Gustas said Fox's mentality sets her apart as a competitor.

"She is not always going to be smiling when she's playing. She's intense, more than anyone else on the team," he said.

Gustas also recognized Fox's ability to lead the team on and off the court. Having said that, Fox credited her teammates with shaping her into the player she's grown to be by pushing her in practice and cheering her on during matches.

"They keep me determined, they keep me confident," Fox said. "They've always been there for me."

However, Gustas, O'Brian and Fox all agree that improvements need to be made in order to have more success in the future.

"It's learning how to be the aggressor," Gustas said. "She's talented enough to do it, and that's how you get to the next level. You don't get there by waiting for others to make mistakes."

Wartburg Trumpet Athletes of the Week

Griffin Brennecke

Four catches for 145 yards (36.25 yards per catch) and two touchdowns in Saturday's win over Buena Vista.

Aryn Jones

Twenty-one kills, three aces, and three total blocks in the IIAC tournament this past weekend. Named conference MVP for the second straight season.

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